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NEGRO WELFARE LEAGUE OF NEW JERSEY

CLIPPING FROM New Jersey Observer,

Saturday, July 13, 1918.

Negro Welfare League Meeting, New  
City Continues to Grow.

Additional acknowledged pledges:

A friend, \$10; Mr. John T. Swartz, \$10; Mrs. B. A. Lightfoot, \$5; Mr. Cornelius Starks, \$10; Mrs. Mary Starks, \$5; a friend, \$10; Dr. W. W. Wolfe, \$10; Dr. J. William Funn, Wesleyan Baptist Church, \$10; Miss C. M. Scott, reported last meeting, \$10; W. H. Van Pelt, \$1; Mrs. Joseph Hunter, \$1; Mrs. Mary Purdie, \$1; a friend, \$1; Mr. Q. M. Strong, reported; James Davidson, \$5; Benjamin Anderson, \$5; Mrs. N. J. Green, reported; Mrs. E. M. Randolph, \$5; Miss Pauline Waters, \$1; Dr. Mrs. William Scott, \$1; Dr. F. E. Johnson, \$5; two friends, \$2; Mrs. F. T. Binkley, \$1.

All members of the committee are requested to work last week as hard as they can and we want to make our first payment then.

The Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts and also the Lullaby Girls Club, of which Mrs. Louise Brinkley is president, will give a benefit for the fund in the early fall.

Don't forget. Report returns to the League, Monday night, July 15.

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Shipping taken from the Newark Evening News:-

**Negro Bureau Aids Dropped  
Because of Dearth of Funds**

Staff Correspondence.

TRENTON, July 15.—Hampered by lack of funds with which to operate his department, Commissioner Lewis T. Bryant of the Department of Labor has found it necessary to discontinue the services of three employees connected with the Negro Welfare Bureau established under an act passed last winter.

Although providing for the organization of a Negro Welfare and Employment Bureau and authorizing the appointment of a chief, the Legislature made no specific appropriation to carry out the provisions of the act. Isaac H. Nutter, a lawyer of Atlantic City, who was selected to be head of the bureau, has been acting in that capacity, although not officially appointed because of the failure to provide a salary. Mr. Nutter agreed to give his services gratuitously and has been service without pay.

From the general appropriations of \$15,000 made to the Department of Labor, Commissioner Bryant has been paying the salaries of three employees as follows: Dr. F. L. Hawkins, Atlantic City, \$100 a month as examining physician; T. Thomas Fortson, Trenton, \$40 a month as secretary; Julius M. Tacey, Atlantic City, \$40 a month as clerk and stenographer.

The present lack of funds which has discontinued current work in the Department of Labor is attributed to the increased expenses necessitated by the maintenance of the workmen's compensation bureau, which was designed to be self-supporting and probably will become so in time. The statute adopted to make the bureau self-supporting was by the passage of a law requiring insurance companies to pay to the state \$100 for each employee killed and leaving no dependents. This law became operative July 1, and thus far there have been no receipts under its provisions.

It was estimated that receipts under the law would aggregate about \$40,000 a year, and there is no reason to believe that this estimate was incorrect, unless it is influenced by the calling of so many young men to military service. As the law requires publication of advertisements for four weeks before any action can be begun by the bureau to recover, it will be some time before actual collections are made.